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The sum due us for Newspapers and Periodicals alone amounts to upwards of fifteen Thousand Rupees and we are therefore compelled to resort to the step just adopted, of refusing to supply any party with these during the future unless they are paid for at least six months in advance. Two months' previous notice must be given before Papers, &c. can be discontinued.

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London (Credits)	6 months' sight	2s. 1d.
Do. Documents	Do. do.	2s. 0 13/16 to 2s. 1d
Do. Bank Rates	Do. do.	2s. 09/16d. to 2s. 1d
Calcutta	sight	100
Madras	30 do. do.	99½
China	90 do. do.	Rs. 214 per $100

SHARES.

Names	Paid up.	Last Half-yearly Dividend	Rates
	Rs.		
Bombay Bank	1,000	5 per cent	68 Prm. ex Div.
Madras Bank	1,000	2½ do.	2½ do.
Agra Bank	500	7 do.	70 do.
Oriental Bank Corporation	250	7 do.	100 do.
Commercial Bank	500	4½ do.	13½
Mercantile Bank	250	5 do.	3½
Central Bank of W. India	150	2½ do.	2½ Dis.
Great Indian Peninsula Railway Company, Consolidated Shares	218.3.0	2½ do.	Rs. 25 Sh. Dis.
Do. New Shares	87.4.4	2½ do.	Rs. 13 do.
Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway	1,000	2½ do.	Nomi. [sh. Div.
Hydraulic Press Company	4,000	350 p. sh.	Rs. 250 Dis. p.
Apollo Press Company	11,000	1,600 p sh.	Rs. 20,000 do.
Colaba Press Company	2,700	300 do.	Rs. 5,500 do.
Colaba Land Company	10,000	90 p sh.	Rs. 11,000 do.
Mahimtoola Land Company	5,100	200 p sh.	Rs. 4,500 do.
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Do. New Shares	625	.....	Rs. 150 Premn.
Do. New Shares	200	.....	Rs. 130 p. sh.
Victoria Spinning Company	5,000	.....	Nominal.
Royal Spinning and Weaving Company	500	.....	Rs. 300 Dis.
Great Eastern Spinning and Weaving Company	400	.....	Rs. 300 do.
Manockjee Petit's Spinning and Weaving Company	550	.....	Rs. 105 do.
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To Unna	Rs. 10 per candy.	
To Clyde	£3 5s.	

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COTTON at Colaba:		
Old Broach, and Surat	None.	
Dholleras	Rs.	175 to 180
Oomrawuttee	"	175 to 180
Compta	"	175 to 176
Dharwar Sawginned	"	233 to 236
New Barnee, and Nuggur	"	194 to 195
Khandeish	"	180 to 185
NEW COTTON at Arrive:		
Broach and Surat (April and May)	"	203 to 204
Dholleras (Do.)	"	189 to 190
Oomrawuttee (March and April)	"	186 to 187
Veravole (Do.)	"	172 to 173
Dharwar Sawginned (May)	"	237 to 238
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Gingelly mixed (Black and White)	"	24 to 25 33 to 34

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" 3 months' sight	2s.
" 2 months' sight	1s. 11d.
" 1 month's sight	1s. 11d.
" on demand	1s. 11d.
On Scotland do.	1s. 11d.
On Ireland do.	
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INTEREST ALLOWED.

1. On Floating, or Current, Deposits, payable on demand of not less than Rs. 1,000, or more than Rs. 20,000 per cent. per annum.
2. On Fixed Deposits at 3 months' notice, 3 per cent per annum.
3. On Fixed Deposits at 6 months' notice, 4 per cent. per annum.
4. On Fixed Deposits at 12 months' notice, 5 per cent. per annum.

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Notice of withdrawal can be given at the time of depositing the money, or at any time thereafter.
Interest is credited to Deposit accounts half-yearly.
No Interest allowed on Current Account Balances under Rs. 1,000 or over Rs. 50,000, unless by special agreement.
The Funds of all public bodies connected with the Services and of such other Societies as the Directors may consider eligible for the same privilege, will be received by the Bank at its highest rate of interest for the time being, subject to modified conditions.
The Bank reserves to itself the right of paying off at interest deposits, and of modifying the terms thereof, on giving one month's notice.
Parties making remittances to the Banks should specify distinctly the account or Accounts to which the same are to be credited. *Accuracy in this respect is particularly desirable.*

COMMISSION.

The Bank takes charge of Government securities, Shares in Banks and other Companies without charge, and realises the interest and dividends, for which a charge will be made of ¼ per cent.
On returning Government Paper or other Securities out of safe custody, a charge will be made of ¼ per cent.
On the purchase or sale of Government Securities and Bank or other Stock, ½ per cent.
To obviate disappointment to parties at a distance purchasing the Bank's Bills on England, which might reach them too late for despatch by first Mail, it is hereby notified that the Bank will, whenever so requested, transmit the first of Exchange direct, on being furnished with the correct address of the party at Home to whom the remittance is to be made.
All Orders or Hoondies should be made payable to the Manager of the Agra & U. S. Bank, Limited, or Order, and the letters enclosing them should state distinctly the name of the person to whom the Remittance is to be made, (*If to a Lady, her Christian name or names in full,*) and the sleight at which the Billsare to be drawn.
NOTICE.—The Bank will obtain registry of Promissory Notes of the several Loans of the Indian Government, and enfacement for payment of the interest in London.
Drafts for interest on such Government Promissory Notes, on the Treasurier of Calcutta and Madras, will be received for encashment at current rates of Exchange, or for realization in India, at the Head Office of the Bank in London, where constituents can also deposit their securities for safe custody.
Parties are requested to address "*The Manager of the Agra and United Service Bank, Limited, Bombay,*" and to make all Orders or Hoondies payable to him.
A Branch of the Bank has been lately established at Kurrachee. Mr. R. E. W. Baker, Manager, for the transaction of business in all its Branches.

H. B. MACCULLOCH,
Bombay, 6th January 1862. Manager.

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4 months' sight not under £50, at 2s. 0¼d.	"
3 months' sight not under £50, at 2s. 0¼d.	"
2 months' sight not under £50, at 1s. 11¼d.	"
1 month's sight not under £10, at 1s. 11¼d.	"
On demand do. do. at 1s. 11¼d.	"

All drafts to be paid for, on delivery, at the Bank's Office.

DEPOSITS.

Interest is allowed on floating Deposits (CURRENT ACCOUNTS) at 3 per cent. per annum on the daily balance, and on Fixed Deposits, as follows:—

Deposits at one sum, at 3 months' notice, 4 per cent.	
Do. do. 6 do. 5	"
Do. do. 12 do. 6	"

No interest allowed on Current Account Balances under Rs. 1,000 nor on Deposits above Rs. 50,000, unless by special arrangement.

REMITTANCE.

The Bank's Agency undertakes to realise Drafts or Hoondies on its presidency offices, for remittance to Europe in the Bank's Bills on the City Bank, London.
All Drafts, or Hoondies, for sale or realisation, to be made payable to the Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China.

COMMISSION.

On the sales or purchase of Government Paper, Bank Stock, and other Securities 1 per cent. the amount realised or invested.
The Bank receives Government and other Securities for safe custody, free of charge, the interest or Dividends thereon being credited to account, or remitted home in the Bank's Bills, also without charge.
On interest or Dividends, or proceeds of Securities by sale, ½ per cent. commission charged, if the amounts be paid in India; if remitted home by the Bank, no commission charged.
On returning Securities out of safe custody, ¼ per cent. Commission.

Hours of business ..... 10 to 4 o'clock.
Saturdays ..... 10 to 1 do.

ROBERT ANGUS,
Bombay, 26th January 1861. Manager.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

BOMBAY AGENCY.
EXCHANGE.

THE CORPORATION grant Drafts on London on Demand, and at from one day to six months' sight, and Drafts on Scotland and Ireland on demand; also Circular Notes negotiable in Egypt, Syria, the Continent of Europe, New York, the West Indies, Australia, New Zealand, and the Cape of Good Hope.
The Current rates of Exchange are:—

On London at 6 months' sight	2s. 0¼d. per Rupee.
" 4 do.	2s. 0¼d. do.
" 3 do.	2s. 0d. do.
" 2 do.	1s. 11¼d. do.
" 1 do.	1s. 11¼d. do.
" on demand	1s. 11¼d. do.
On Scotland do.	
On Ireland do.	
On Paris, at 3 days' sight	1s. 11¼d. do.
Circular Notes payable throughout Europe	1s. 11¼d. do.

No Drafts at six months' sight are granted for sums under £50 nor sums under £10 are only drawn for on Demand.
Drafts are also granted on Calcutta, Madras, Ceylon, Hongkong, Singapore, Mauritius, Melbourne, and Sydney.
The Corporation purchase or collect Bills payable in Europe or in Calcutta, Madras, Ceylon, Hongkong, Singapore, Mauritius, Melbourne, and Sydney.

DEPOSITS.

The Corporation receive Deposits on the following terms:—
Repayable on demand, in sums of Rs. 100 and upwards ..... 2 per ct. per annum.
On in one sum, at 3 months' notice ..... 3 " "
Do. do. 6 do. ..... 4 " "
Do. do. 12 do. ..... 5 " "

No interest allowed on Deposits under Rs. 1,000, nor on deposits over Rs. 50,000, *unless by special arrangement.*

REMITTANCE.

The Corporation undertake to remit money to Europe by each Overland Mail, free of charge.
Parties are requested to make all Orders or Hoondies payable to "*The Oriental Bank Corporation or Order,*" and to state distinctly the name and address of the person to whom the Remittance is to be made, (*If to a Lady, her Christian name or names in full,*) and the sleight at which the Billsare to be drawn.

COMMISSION.

The rate of Commission charged by this Agency on the purchase or sale of Government Securities negotiable in Bombay, is 1 per cent. on the amount invested or realised, and on the collection of Bills, one per cent. and Postage.
The Corporation take charge of Government Paper, Shares in the Bank of Bombay, and other local Stocks, free of all charges, and will draw Interests and Dividends on the same as they fall due, on the following terms:—
If to be remitted through the Corporation... Without charge.
If to be paid in India, a Commission will be charged of ..... ¼ per cent.
On returning Government Paper out of safe custody ..... ¼ per cent.

Hours of business ..... 10 to 4 o'clock.
Saturday ..... 10 to 1 do.

KURRACHEE SUB-AGENCY.

Messrs. Finlay and Co. will grant Drafts on the Corporation and negotiate Bills payable in London and Bombay.
Bombay 3rd January 1862.

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON, AND CHINA.

EXCHANGE.

THE Bank grants Drafts on London, and on Scotland and Ireland, also Circular Notes negotiable in Egypt, Syria, and the principal Towns of Europe, at the following current rates of Exchange:—

On London, at 6 months' light	2s. 0¼d. per Rupee.
" 4 do.	2s. 0¼d. "
" 3 do.	2s. 0d. "
" 2 do.	1s. 11¼d. "
" 1 do.	1s. 11¼d. "
On demand	1s. 11¼d. "
On Scotland do.	1s. 11¼d. "
On Ireland do.	
Circular Notes for the use of Travellers on the Continent and to Europe, Overland, at 7 day's sight	1s. 11¼d. "

Drafts at 6 months' sight are not granted for less than £50, and amounts under £10 are only drawn for payable on demand.
The Bank also purchases Bills and grants Drafts payable in Calcutta, Madras, Ceylon, Hongkong, Canton, Shanghai, Singapore, Penang, and Mauritius.
Billscollected at any of the above places at an uniform charge including postages, of one per cent.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Accounts ..... 1 per cent
Deposits for demand, subject to a commission of 1 per cent. on amounts withdrawn ..... ¼ "
Deposits for 3 months ..... ½ "
Do. do. 6 do. ..... ¾ "
Do. do. 12 do. ..... 1 "

No interest allowed on Current Account Balances under Rs. 1,000 or on Deposits over Rs. 50,000, unless by special agreement.
No cheques paid or cash received under Rs. 50.

COMMISSION.

The Bank takes charge of Government Securities, Shares in Banks and other Companies, without charge, and realises Interest and Dividends thereon on the following terms:—
If to be remitted in the Bank's Drafts, without charge.
If to be paid in India, a Commission will be charged of ¼ per cent.
On returning Government Paper, or Share Certificates not of safe custody, or when called on, paying the proceeds of such sale in India, a commission will be charged of ¼ per cent. But if proceeds are remitted on the Bank's Drafts, without charge.
Commission charged on purchase and sale of Government Securities and Shares, ½ per cent.

HARRY JOHN,
Bombay, 3rd January 1862. Agent.

Shipping Intelligence.

BOMBAY.

Arrivals.

DATE.	SHIPS.	COMMANDERS.	FROM
Feb. 3	Margaret	Faulkner	Liverpool 25 Sept.
	Elphinstone (s)	Taunton	Suez 2 Feb.
	Duke of Wellington	Bentti	Glasgow 7 Sept.
	Northern Bride	Brown	Sunderland 2 Sept.

INTELLIGENCE.—Per ship *Margaret*, from Liverpool —On the 14th December, spoke the ship *Pride of the Ocean*, in lat. 40 S., Long. 28-35 E.

Departure.

DATE.	SHIP.	COMMANDER.	TO
Feb 3	Phlox (s)	Paddicombe.	Surat.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per ship *Margaret*, from Liverpool.—Mr. W. Nelson; Mr. James Kern.
Per steamer *M. S. Elphinstone*, from Surat.—Lieut. Sandham, Artillery; Mr and Mrs. Cooper; and 69 natives.

PASSENGERS SAILED.

Per steamer *Phlox*, to Surat.—76 natives.

Port Clearance.

The following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday:—
Ship *Moskwa*, F. Tuhl, bound to Cape Negrais.
Ship *Colbert*, J. Bommclare, bound to Colombo.

Commenced Loading.

The following vessels began to load yesterday:—
P. and O. Co.'s steamer *Pekin*, for China, &c.
Ship *Clara Wheeler*. for Liverpool.
Ship *Vittoria*, for London.
Ship *Reine des Angnes*, for Marseilles via Kurrachee.

DAILY EXPORTS.

BOMBAY, Monday, 3rd February 1862.
For London.

Lauderdale.—300 bags Rapeseed, 506½ cwt., S. Burstall and Co.
Agricola.—108 bales Cotton, 378 cwt., Visram Khuttow; 30 bales Cow Hides, 100 corges, S. Tyebjee and Co.
Cassibelanus.—2 cases Books, R. Frith and Co.; 100 boxes Dry Ginger, Scraped, 126 cwt., Wibuldass Gocooldass.
Vernon.—378 bags Rapeseed, 567 cwt., Sorabjee Framjee and Co.
Vittoria.—1,200 bags Linseed, 180 cwt., Vuruthman Poonsees.
Seafield.—280 bags Saltpetre, 400 maunds, C. H. Cama and Co.

For Liverpool.

Queen of the North.—40 bales Wool, 120 cwt., Mejee Ramjee.
Morino.—300 bales Cotton, 1,050 cwt., Heerjee Bhimsee and Co.
Uncas.—50 bales Wool, 150 cwt., Meerchun Roopchund; 150 bales Cotton, 525 cwt., Dewjee Vurria.
Protector.—150 bales Cotton, 525 cwt., Dewjee Vurria; 100 bales Cotton, 350 cwt., Nessarwanjee Manockjee; 80 bales Wool, 240 cwts., Dossabhoy Merwanjee; 100 bales Cotton, 350 cwt., S. and N. Nanabhoy.
General Neill.—12 bales Cotton, 147 cwt., Jangee Courjee; 55 bales Cotton, 192½ cwt., Hezuth Khersee.
Clara Wheeler.—50 bales Cotton, 175 cwt., Thara Khimjee; 500 bales Cotton, 1,750 cwt., Lawrence and Co.
Stratled Fawn.—150 bales Cotton, 525 cwt., Remington and Co.
Red Jacket.—300 bags Linseed, 450 cwt., G vind Hurree and Co.; 350 bales Cotton, 525 cwt., Bhimjee Girdhur.
Peter Maxwell.—100 bales Wool, 300 cwt., Woo'verda Khetsee; 43 bales Wool, 120 cwt., Jetha Kessowjee.
Mornington.—100 bales Cotton, 350 cwt; Ramjee Jaitha; 135 bales Cotton, 447½ cwt., Megjee Dossa; 100 bales Cotton, 350 cwt., Woomersey Veiljee; 800 bales Cotton, 1,050 cwt., Kessoo Wagu.
Typhoon.—100 bales Cotton, 350 cwt., Lawrence and Co.
Gertrude.—230 bags Linseed, 345 cwt., P. Mialhee and Co.
Selisia.—6 bales Cotton, 21 cwt., Pramjee Bhimjee.
Recorder.—100 bales Cotton, 350 cwt., Ruttonsee Gocouldass.
Natolia.—282 bundles Coir Yarn, 36 cwt., Megjee Luckoo and Co.

For Havre.

Helen Morrow.—100 bales Cotton, 350 cwt., S. Tyebjee and Co.

For Mauritius.

Japan.—500 coils Coir Rope, 110 cwt., Mooljee Jaitha.
Euphemus.—86 bags Black Gram, 45 bags Moog, H. M. J. H. Cadoo; 100 bags Black Gram, 50 bags Moog, H. E. Sidick; 300 packages Wet Dates, 334½ cwt., H. E. H. Adam.

For Hoodooda.

Nasres.—101 packages Sugar, 118 cwt. 1 qr., H. A. Sidick; 26½ cwt. Sandalwood, H. E. Sidick; 48½ cwt. Sandalwood, H. H. Talub; 23 bags Bengal Sugar, 42 cwt., H. A. Hajee Woosman; 70 robins Dry Ginger, 110 cwt., 20 packages Common Seed, 45 cwt., H. A. Woosman.
Fazel Currim.—14 bales Grey Domestic, H. A. Noor Mahomed; 20 bags Rice, 4 cwt., H. E. Hubib.

For Colsoguruputtam.

Hamidabux.—5 packages Sundries, C. C. Mohidin; 20 bars Europe Iron, C. Mahomedally.

For Colombo.

Hamidabux.—50 packages Wet Dates, 68 cwt. 12 lbs., 8 packages Cloves, 9 cwt. 2 qrs., Pursotom Luckmichund.

For Shanghae.

Steamer *Pekin.*—80½ chests M. Opium, 140 lbs. each, David Sassoon and Co.; 5 chests M. Opium, 138 lbs. each, Moolchund Purshotum.

For Hongkong.

Steamer *Pekin.*—80½ chests M. Opium, 140 lbs. each, Dhurum-ey Poonjabhoy; 84 chests M. Opium, 140 lbs. each, Huthasing Kesserising; 9 chests M. Opium, 140 lbs. each, Bomonjee Nusserwanjee.
For Calcutta.

Futtay Rahmon.—47 packages Sundries, Goolam Hussein Abdool Cader; 72 packages Sundries, Nesserwanjee Hormusjee Mehta.
Catherine Glen.—1,348 pieces Malabar Sandalwood, Hajee Meetha Cassum.

BENGAL.

ARRIVAL.—January 22, Screw Steamer *Burmah*, Gray Junior, from Maulmein 14th, touched at Rangoon 17th and Akyab 20th January.
Do. Screw Steamer *Moulmain*, Ashton, from Pondicherry 11th Jany; touched at Madras 15th, Coconada, 17th, Vizagapatam 18th and Bimlipatam 19th January.
Do. Schooner *B N Jarvie*, Damson, from Moulmain 4th Jany. touched at Amherst 8th Jany.
Do. 23, Ship *T M Hayes*, Upton, from Kurrachee 1st Nov; touched at Cochin 1st Dec.
Do. 24, Ship *Aramingo*, Cassen, from Coconada 4th January.

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ARRIVALS.

3rd February—Lieut. W. H. Sandham, Artillery, on medical certificate, from Nusseerabad.
Do.—Captain R. C. Henchy, Royal Artillery, on leave, from Aurungabad.
Do.—Assistant Surgeon Sanderson, M. D., on leave, from Kulludgee.
Do.—Lieut. S. Clay, Bombay Fusiliers, on leave from Poona.
Do.—Ensign Coussmaker, 23rd Regt. N. L. I., to join, from Dapoolie.
Do.—Captain T. T. Piers, A. D. A., Quarter Master General, to join, from Sholapore.
Do.—Major H. Adams, 13th Regt. N. I., on leave, from Neemuch.

DEPARTURES.

2nd February.—Assistant Surgeon A. M. Rogers, 12th Regt. N. I., to join, to Surat.
4th Do.—Assistant Surgeon T. Dalan, Staff Assistant Surgeon, on duty, to Poona.

GARRISON ORDERS.

BY BRIGADIER J. LIDDELL, C.B.

Bombay, Monday, 3rd February 1862.

The 33rd Regt. the Officer for the Castle Guard tomorrow.
The 23rd Regt. N. L. I., the Adjutant for the day.

1. The Weekly Committee of Survey, of which Captain Nicholson, 23rd Regt. N. L. I., is President, will assemble tomorrow at 11 A. M. at the Commissariat Stores, Military Store Lane, to inspect and report upon the condition of a quantity of Arrowroot and Sago, arrived from Surat.
Assistant Surgeon Ogilvie, on general duty, will attend the Committee.
2. A Medical Committee, composed as follows, will assemble tomorrow at 11 A. M., at the Naval Sanitarium Hospital, to examine and report upon certain articles of clothing, as may be brought before it:—
President.—Surgeon Hanbury, 33rd Regiment.
Members.—Assistant Surgeon Bain, M. D., 18th Regt. N. I. and Assistant Surgeon Orpen, Colaba Sanitarium.
3. Captain Berthon, attached to 18th Regt. N. I., is appointed a member of the Committee ordered to assemble tomorrow, at 11 A. M., at the Office of the Brigade Major of the Garrison, vice Ross, relieved.

GENERAL ORDERS BY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

Adjutant General's Office, Poona, 1st February 1862.

The following orders are confirmed:—
Dated 6th September 1861.—By Brigadier Coghlan, appointing Lieut. Fletcher, of the Royal Regiment of Bombay Artillery, to act as Brigade Major at Aden, during the absence of Major Thacker, on leave or until further orders.
Dated 20th January 1862.—By the Officer Commanding 3rd European Regiment, appointing Lieut F. C. Donne, to act as Paymaster and Quarter Master, vice Davis, promoted.
The undermentioned Officers returned to duty without prejudice to their rank by permission of Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for India on the 28th ultimo:—
Major J. H. B. Dennis, 1st Regiment Light Cavalry.
Lieut J. M. Heath, 1st Regiment Light Cavalry.
Lieut. J. E. A. Mackintosh, 3rd Bombay Euro. Regt.

BENGAL.

(From the Calcutta Gazette, January 23.)

The Governor General in Council is pleased to appoint Lieut. Colonel H. Daly, C. B., of the 103rd Royal Bombay Fusiliers, to be Commandant of the Central India Horse, vice Colonel Travers removed to Brigade Command.
Lieut. Colonel Daly received charge of his duties from Major H. Forbes on the 31st ultimo.

Mr. C. Currie, Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of Oudh, has obtained six months' leave of absence to proceed to England on urgent private affairs, together with the usual preparatory leave to reach the port of embarkation; the latter to commence from the 26th April next, or from the date on which he may avail himself of it.

Assistant Surgeon J. M. Cameron, in Medical charge of the Civil Station of Sironcha, is appointed an Assistant to the Deputy Commissioner, Godavery Districts, in addition to his own duties. He will have charge of the Treasury, and will exercise the powers of a Deputy Magistrate, First Class.

With reference to Resolution dated 2nd November 1861, No. 9, His Excellency the Governor General in Council is pleased to resolve that the Districts placed under the management of the Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces shall be separated into three Divisions, each of which is to be presided over by a Commissioner exercising the powers of a Civil and Sessions Judge in the Judicial, and of a Commissioner of Division in the Revenue Department. The Divisions are as follows:

1. *Nagpore Division.* Head Quarters Seetabuldee. Four Districts— Two of the First Class, Two of the Second Class, With two Fourth Class Dependencies	Nagpore with Kowtah. Raepore with Belaspore. Chandah. Bhundarra.
2. *Jubbulpore Division.* Head Quarters Jubbulpore; to consist of four Districts:— One of the First Class, One of the Second Class, Two of the Third Class, With one Fourth Class Dependency	Jubbulpore with Seonee. Mundlah. Narsingpore. Chindwarrah.
3. *Saugor Division.* Head Quarters Saugor; to consist of three Districts:— One of the First Class, One of the Second Class, One of the Third Class, With one Fourth Class Dependency	Saugor. Damoh. Hoshungabad with Baitool

The Governor General in Council is pleased to make the following appointments in the Mysore Commission:—
Major T. Clerk, Superintendent of the Astagram Division, to be Superintendent of the Chittledroog Division, vice Major Cunningham, retired.
Captain M. Elliott, Superintendent of Coorg, to be Superintendent of the Nuggur Division, vice Colonel Porter, resigned.
Lieut. A. C. Hay to be Superintendent of Astagram, vice Major Clerk, but to officiate as Superintendent of Bangalore in the room of Major Dobbs, officiating as Judicial Commissioner.
The appointment of Captain Elliott to be Superintendent of the Chittledroog Division, and of Lieut. Hay to be Superintendent of the Nuggur Division, in General Order by the Governor General, No. 66, dated 10th instant, is cancelled.

Births, Marriages, & Deaths.

No notices of a Domestic Occurrence can be inserted unless authenticated by the names and address of the sender.

BOMBAY.

DEATH—
On the Kurrachee, on the 25th instant. Captain Rowley Ward Leads, of the Indus Steam Flotilla, youngest son of the late Sir George Leeds, of Coxton Park, Cambrigeshire, England.

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MARRIAGES—
By special License, at Christ's Church, Rangoon, on Wednesday the 8th January, by the Reverend Leopold Poynder, M. A., Town Chaplain, John Connell, Esq., to Emma Sarah, eldest daughter of Captain Charles Malcolm Crisp, of Rangoon.
At St. John's Church, on the 21st Jan. by the Revd. J. Richards, M. A., Wm. Hamilford, Esq., to Jane Anne Walton.

MADRAS.

BIRTHS—
At Bangalore, on the 23rd January, the wife of Dr. Jephson, Kings Dragoon Guards, of a daughter.
At Mysore, on the 25th January, the wife of Mr. J. D'Vaz, of a son.
At Galle, on the 12th January, Mrs. [E. J Good, of a daughter.

MARRIAGE—
At Madras, on the 22nd January, Mr. W. S. Freeman, to Miss Elizabeth Caldwell.

DEATHS—
At Vepery, Madras, on the 25th January, Lydia, the youngest daughter of Mr. M. Cooke, 34th Regt. N. I., aged 2 years, 6 months and 2 days.
At Bangalore, on the 27th December, Mr. Frederick Charles Seymour, aged 71 years.

NORTH-WEST PROVINCES.

DEATHS—
At Fyzabad, Oudh, on the 25th January, Barclay Lawson, Major, Royal Artillery, aged 38 years and 10 months.
At Seelkote, on the 24th January, of consumption, Sally Moore, the beloved wife of the Rev. W. Ferguson, Chaplain, 71st Highland light Infantry, aged 32 years.

Letters to the Editor.

THE TELEGRAM QUESTION.

SIR,—In a paragraph in the *Times of India* I am accused of spreading a report that an arbitration of the cause in dispute between the Northern and Southern States of America had been agreed upon. In reply I simply say the assertion is untrue, as I did not hear of it until reading the *Bombay Review* of Saturday. As regards the Prince Albert telegram I told Mr. Knight the natives had a "report," it was Prince Alfred and not Prince Albert dead; but I never said any thing to him about a telegram received to that effect. Any telegrams I have received have always been given to the *Bombay Gazette* for publication, and I leave the public to say which paper has the best and most reliable commercial news—it is on this account and my refusal to Mr. Mull to work for the *Times of India* that I am made the subject of the above false and unwarrantable attack.—I am, your obedient servant,

JAMES A. P. MACKINTOSH.

Bombay, 3rd February 1862.

MR. FORJETT DISCLAIMS.

SIR,—As your statement in the *Gazette* of Tuesday last is calculated to mislead the public as to the efficiency of the other Members of the Municipal Board, I desire to state that whatever has been done in the way of sanatory reforms, has emanated from the Board as a body and not from any particular individual of it. I deem it necessary to make this statement in order that the public may not be under any misconception as to duties performed by my two colleagues.—Yours obediently,

C. FORJETT.

[We wish these Municipal Commissioners one or other or all of them, would attend better to the watering of the roads. At present it is disgraceful. We daresay Mr. Forjett would not mind sharing some of the blame due on this account. But we blame them all conjointly and severally, especially Mr. Forjett.—ED. *B. G.*]

Sporting Gazette.

BYCULLA RACE MEETING, FOR 1862.

MR. EDITOR,—A correspondent signing himself "Fly by night" having enlightened (!!) the public through the medium of the columns of your contemporary *The Times of India*, it may be as well I should let you know that, he has not all the Flying to himself, and that, agreeing with him on some points, such for instance as the general inferiority of the Maidens and the state of the course, I cannot endorse his ideas either as to the "Dealers" or "Forbes." To begin with *Claverhouse*. He is no doubt a fine mover and as likely a horse as need be, but the "gup" is that he is short of work and won't do the grand things his owner and some others expect of him. To be sure "Fly by night" *ought* to have good information, for the report goes that *Claverhouse* ran a trial a fortnight ago by moonlight in marvellous time. Despite his pretensions I don't think he will win, nay, I think the third place is more likely to be his than the second. The "*Dark horse from the great Mysore Stable*" will, I suppose, be "*Morning Star.*" *Conscript* should have been the horse but, luckily for all except his owner, he met with an accident some days ago which will disqualify him from making his debût in the "Dealers." The amount of information afloat about this horse *now* is wonderful, every one *now* knows all about him, but I can't help thinking that had he not gone wrong he would have been as dark as was *Grey leg* last year. *Morning Star* may "astonish the natives" yet, in fact the Strangers prestige is so great that if he but starts a horse it is taken for granted he is a first rater, and he will find backers for no other reason than because the Strangers colors on young Brewty are up. By the time this is in your reader's hands we shall all know what horses the Doctor will start; at present however it is but a conjecture that *Morning Star* will come to the post, and it is not by any means unlikely that a bay horse yclept "*Financier*" may be his substitute. Of neither is much known but what little *has* come out is not to their disadvantage. *Sirdar* I am sorry to say is likely to be sacrificed to his owners unsportsmanlike cupidity. He is as lame as a tree and ten to one will break down in the Race; *if he does not* he is a very dangerous customer. As it seems to me he ought to be kept in the Stables. "Quot homines tot sententiæ" so I suppose the Aga's notions are different.

"*Garibaldi*" has gradually risen in public estimation for a week past, and it is now generally thought that he will do the trick for Mahomed Bauker, or come very near it. Certain it is that he can beat "*Venus*" hard held, and equally certain is it that his owner's phiz exhibits the unmistakable glee which preceeds an anticipated "pot." No doubt *Venus* is not doing well this year and *Garibaldi* may have to encounter a tougher piece of horse flesh, but making every allowance I think he stands well for the first place.

"*Grey Jacket*" from the same stable may or may not show up; my impression is that he will, but I-fancy his stable companion is the better horse. Lastly, what shall I say of "*Fly away*" except that he is more likely to fly away with his Owner's money than with or for any thing else. Nevertheless he is game to the backbone and will do his best which is something. I don't feel quite sure that "*Fly away*" has come within some seconds in his trials of what he will do in the race, but I think there will be nothing on him, except his rider.

Old Hajee's *Mint Master* would (so he says) make

2701 rupees. There was an action brought against him, to which he at first pleaded a set off. The debt was for the difference between the amount of money advanced on the goods and the sum realized by their sale. Witness had several letters at home which his firm had received from their agents in Liverpool in respect to what the goods fetched.

Cross-examined by Mr. Bayley.—He had personally inspected the goods before they were shipped. The Insolvent had represented them to him as being of first rate quality. When he inspected them at the Insolvents godown he was about half an hour looking at them, and his mucca-dum was with him. The Insolvent had done business with his firm previous to 1861. He considered that the speculation was a good one at the time. The goods consisted of gums, wet dates and other articles which were fetching a good price in England then. It was usual to make an advance on the Invoice so as to leave a margin of at least one third profit, but it depended upon the respectability of the party a good deal. Of course they made the advance as low as possible. The Insolvent had been represented to them by the broker as being a respectable man. When the consignments reached Liverpool the Markets there were reported lower, there was not any material fall but they were slightly lower. Witness did not think that Hormusjee had anything to do with making up the articles: believed that he had purchased them. Witness had seen several of the cases of gum anima opened, they were already filled when he saw them.

The witness was shown a letter which he identified as having come from the agent at Liverpool.

Examination continued.—The letter had reference to the shipments by the Insolvent. Was not certain whether at that time an action had been commenced against the Insolvent. There were about eight consignments, did not know anything about the plea of set off until after it appeared in the schedule. All the letters were sent open, so as to enable his firm to examine the contents of them (witness was here requested to look at the letters). He had detained two of the letters because he wished to see the insolvent who had sent his clerk about them, witness told him that he would give them to Hormusjee himself if he came for them. The Insolvent eventually came himself, and the letters were sent to him afterwards.

Re-examined by Mr. Anstey.—Witness had on two or three occasions seen the insolvent. In respect to the false representations the top portions of the gums seemed to be of good quality; there were four different qualities: he had been led to suppose that they were all of one quality: found out afterwards that the articles were not all of one quality, and that some of it turned out to be rubbish or refuse; found this out through his correspondent at Liverpool, from whom he had received accounts of other transactions.

Mr. Albert Vinay stated that the Insolvent had made some shipments through their house, but he was not present when advances were made to him. Saw some cases of vermilion that were shipped by him to England, they were afterwards returned to Bombay.

Nowrojee Manockjee Wadia, commission merchant, stated that their firm had made advances to the Insolvent to the amount of 17,000 rupees. When that advance was made witness had calculated on allowing himself a margin of one-third on the invoice. The goods were sent to their agents in England. Insolvent wanted more than 17,000 rupees, he told them that the shipments were worth above 25,000 rupees. The goods consisted of dry dates and sandalwood. They received a communication from England in reference to the quality of the dates, did not make that known in any way to the Insolvent. An insurance was effected by the firm on that shipment of more than double the value. That ship (*the Berhampore*) was lost. Witness could not say exactly when the Insolvent first commenced to trade with them. Recollected the time when the schedule was filed. A native broker had applied to them on behalf of the Insolvent.

Mr. Bayley objected to this evidence.

His Lordship decided that the evidence might be taken *de bene esse*.

Examination continued.—The broker told them that Hormusjee had sent him to them to say, that he would pay the margin, or difference of 2 or 3,000 Rs., and that he wanted them to purchase cargoes on his behalf and ship it to England out of the 3,000 Rupees.

His Lordship observed that he did not understand what the witness meant.

Cross-examined. The firm had had dealings with Insolvent for many years, but could not say to what amount.

By the Court.—When the Insolvent brought the Invoice he represented it to be worth 25,000 Rs, he said that the dates were of a very superior quality. Witness did not make any personal inspection of them. Had been dealing with the Insolvent for about two or three years.

Mr. John Farrar, partner in the firm of Rennie Scovell and Co. remembered a shipment made by Insolvent in the *Berhampore* in 1860, there was an insurance effected for £270 on the cargo, that insurance was subsequently increased, the ship was lost, and the loss adjusted by their house to the amount of about 5,800 Rs was paid between August and November 1860. He thought that was the last account they had with the Insolvent.

Cross-examined.—Had dealt with Insolvent for about eight or ten months.

Raggonath Rumchunder, clerk to Messrs. Cornforth and Co. stated that he remembered a shipment made by the Insolvent to their firm consisting of gums, lemon grass oil and wet dates. Advances were made by the firm on those shipments, first against gum for 9,657 Rs. by the *Haddington*, which was made on an estimate of about three fourths of the value. The broker told witness that the goods were of that value, and that such advance would be safe. After the advance was made there was a redraft of 2,701 Rs. from England which was never paid, there was another for 3,000 Rs. The next advance was for 2,000 rupees, and a redraft 2,447 Rs.

Cross-examined. There were eight consignments altogether, and four redrafts.

Mr. Kemp, partner in the firm of Rogers and Co., received that in November 1861 a sample of lemon grass oil had been sent to him by Messrs. Cornforth and Co. with a request that he should test the quality of it, he did so and found it was an adulterated sample of grass oil with cocoanut oil mixed with it, which impaired its value. It was used as a medicine and likewise for a perfume, the adulteration would impair its value.

Several other witnesses were examined.

Mr. Bayley then proceeded to address the Court on behalf of the Insolvent and in so doing said that the Insolvent had not commenced business without capital, and that his trading was prosperous from 1854 up to 1860. When the goods were consigned to Messrs. Cornforth and Co. they had reason to remark, because very much more reasonable. Perhaps, in the face of the declarations made to our Correspondent, that a Northerner hates England twice as much as he loves the Union, and that America would give a million of men for a war with us, it might be imprudent to offer a temptation to strife by decreasing our force in Canada. We may hope, however, that whatever irritation now exists may gradually subside, and that we may experience no more of those factious and splenetic annoyances which engender ill feeling and lead at least to great perils.

WHAT ENGLAND HAS BEEN DOING LATELY.

(*From the Times, Jan.* 10.)

To all intents and purposes, except the actual shedding of blood, we have been for the last month at war with the Northern States of America. We have been spending money at a war rate; we have been moving troops, completing and equipping ships, preparing arms and ammunition, employing our minds and hardening our hearts, as if for impending and inevitable war. Till the moment of collision, till the pickets are driven in, the guns fired, and the men begin to drop, the greatest war is little else than what we have been waging since the capture of the Confederate Commissioners. In the United States two immense armies are collected and brought face to face, where they have stood for months, and all with as little loss of life as we have suffered by our military and naval preparations. Had the Australasian foundered in the snow-storm off the Island of Anticosti and been lost with all souls on board, our war would have cost near as many lives as the war hitherto has cost either side in the United States. It is war to be engaged as if for war, to be composing and sanctioning the destruction of our foes and the protection of our friends, to be counting upon honours and preparing for losses, and to be occupied in the subject to the exclusion of our ordinary thoughts and cares. Already they talk of our having spent two millions, but when the bills are all in, and the wrecks counted, and the columns of our Naval and Military Intelligence all completed and paid for, we shall be prepared for twice the sum. Ships cannot be finished in a hurry with men as thick as they can stand, regiments cannot be brought up to the full complement and carried comfortably across the Atlantic and back, without incalculable cost, and nobody dreams that his Income-tax will be less next year. This, then, is war. It is war, too, when the Christmas circle is broken up by the absence of the best man on a distant errand of destruction across a stormy ocean, of a dangerous coast, or in forests and snow-tracks. It is war in a form to strike all eyes, when the hunt, the dance, the theatricals miss the best riders, the best partners, the only manager, and any post may bring the news of another use, and perhaps another doom, for noble qualities. So virtually we have been at war all this Christmas time, and now suddenly Peace is proclaimed, and we are at war no longer. We have to suspend operations, to bring home our forces, and do everything as if after a war of two or of three years.

How, then, do we, and how do the British people, take an announcement which heretofore has been celebrated with processions and proclamations, with bonfires and bell-ringing, with feasts and holydays, with illuminations and fireworks? We do not suppose that the national delight will be so ecstatic and unqualified as when we had been supping full of the Crimean or Indian horrors for two years, and knew by recent experience what war really was. The most rational among us had speculated on the probable length of the war and its other contingencies; but that was only a speculation, and the gloomiest speculation can never strike the mind like the terrible fact. When we have imagined a thousand horrors, and come to understand that we could not escape them all, or most of them, one of them actually comes to pass surpassing them all. We have only to suppose a blockading squadron driven on shore and compelled to surrender, a military force cut off and frozen to death or submission, or some unaccountable reverse like the tale of Bull's Run, and we shall see at once that England is not likely to have the same hankering or Peace now as if she had been at actual war for a year or two. They who can look forward into the black future, and who have friends or incomes to be decimated, will rejoice with a rational and patriotic rejoicing. But it is no great injustice to the popular mind of this country to suspect it of a shade of disappointment. The public have made up their mind to the game of war; they have given up their other engagements; they have paid their money, and taken their places, when the manager comes before the curtain and tells them that the principal actor has sent his apologies and cannot attend. It is possible to be disappointed even of misery or disaster. We have heard of a man who had so persuaded himself he had a cancer that he felt annoyed to find himself mistaken. When you have screwed up your courage, it is provoking to find it uncalled for. Litigants with ruin staring them in the face have felt themselves hurt by a timely compromise or concession. The Americans themselves assure us that the popular feeling on their side is quite as much a mad desire to exchange blows with the mother country, for any or no reason, as a sense of wrong; and one cousin is too like the other not to be liable to a purely bellicose and combative excitement.

The best knowledge on the part of our statesmen that the British people are only too ready and too able to fight for any cause, and to defend their interest and their honour whenever at stake, has, no doubt, contributed to our patient and forbearing policy hitherto with the United States. As regards this froward child, we have always felt a difficulty in setting our interest and our honour itself against those of our own offspring, and have relied on our power of defending them whenever it should be absolutely required. In a word, we could always wait for the hour when this painful necessity should arrive, and meanwhile we could comfort and assure ourselves with a merited confidence in our justice and safety. We felt that a war between two States of the same origin and language, and in many respects so similar and so connected, would be a public scandal, for which any amount of triumph would hardly compensate. Thus, the higher feeling of the parent, the brother and the gentleman have been permitted to step in between the decidedly combative qualities too apparent on both sides of the Atlantic. The statesmen have held back the people, knowing well that this people would be able to defend and avenge itself.

But our recent preparation has not been thrown away. Nine-tenths of the operations of real war are without any immediate and actual result. The demonstration which costs immense efforts, marching, countermarching, conveyance and abandonment of stores, constructions and destructions, and even the loss of many lives, may completely answer its intended purpose of deceiving or dividing a foe without in the least answering its apparent end. We have set all our naval and military forces in full current for Canada, and the current is already flowing thither at a much quicker rate than we can recall. That such a current should be suddenly arrested and brought back without a blow being struck may seem to realize an utter nullity. If, however, it has assured and will assure the Americans of our sincerity and earnestness, it has answered its purpose as much as if it had encountered the full tide of American war, and written its history on the map of the world. The Trent affair, with the extreme courtesy of the British Minister and his Government and by the considerate manner in which the question had been presented to him for solution. All this we looked on upon as it passed, and, looking on, we all approved. Perhaps we may think that, if Mr. Seward's course had been equally frank and public from the first, his people, like our people, would have seen in what has now happened the natural sequence to the transaction. If he also had published the opinions of his Law Officers, he might have saved Boston from so stultifying itself, and New York from such sad exhibitions; he might have prevented his countrymen from making a hero of the author of this vapouring outrage, and saved them from the misery of their humiliation. If, as our Correspondent anticipates, Mr. Seward has now to suffer for doing right, he will owe much of the unpopularity he has to endure to his own procrastination.

Yes, if the diplomatic note which he delivered to Lord Lyons when announcing his readiness to surrender the prisoners is to receive anything more than a credence of courtesy, there never could have been a moment when he had any doubt as to the entire illegality of the proceeding of his officer. With a verbosity never equalled even in diplomacy, and with an inconsequential vagueness never surpassed even in Congressional debate, Mr. Seward in this long document wanders through the history of all past transactions. Inasmuch, however as he concludes that, notwithstanding all he has so lengthily and so vaguely premised, he can come to no other conclusion upon the circumstances of the present case than that the act was indefensible, and that the prisoners must be restored, the obvious course was to accept the fact of the reparation and to disregard the comment. Such, we believe, has been the course adopted by our Government. A Cabinet Council was held yesterday, at which this very elaborate document was considered. An answer will, we understand, be returned, expressing the gratification of Her Majesty's Government at the disavowal of the act of Captain Wilkes, accepting the satisfaction rendered, and assuming that the precedent in the case of the Trent will rule the more recent case of the seizure made by the ex-captain of the Santiago de Cuba on board the British schooner Eugenia Smith. As to the general discussion of the law of neutrals, into which Mr. Seward enters at so much length, the Government will decline any answer until they have had an opportunity of submitting the whole question to their Law Officers. There are propositions laid down in this Note which are not at all admissable, and it is of the highest importance that we should not suddenly bind ourselves to the abolition of belligerent rights which may be to ourselves at some future time of vital importance; nor that we should, on the other hand, admit the right of any foreign State to carry our Mail Packets into their ports and submit them to the arbitrament of their Prize Courts. After the delivery of the prisoners all these points may be very properly raised, and can be conveniently discussed; but it is expedient to separate this discussion entirely from the settlement of the misunderstanding which has so nearly precipitated us into war. Whenever the proper time comes we shall probably insist, with all authority in our favour, that a belligerent has a right to communicate with a neutral Power in a neutral ship; and that it is a presumption that in such communication there is nothing inconsistent with the character of the neutral nation, and therefore nothing injurious to the other belligerent.

Let the business of the day, however, suffice for the day. The quarrel being over, we are now rather better friends than we were before it commenced. Mr. Seward and Lord Lyons know each other better than they did some time ago, and are more conversant with each other's views and instructions. The tone of the American papers has, as we had to remark, become very much more reasonable. Perhaps, in the face of the declarations made to our Correspondent, that a Northerner hates England twice as much as he loves the Union, and that America would give a million of men for a war with us, it might be imprudent to offer a temptation to strife by decreasing our force in Canada. We may hope, however, that whatever irritation now exists may gradually subside, and that we may experience no more of those factious and splenetic annoyances which engender ill feeling and lead at least to great perils.

MANCHESTER FROM AN AMERICAN POINT OF VIEW.

(*From the Times, Jan.* 10.)

"To see ourselves as others see us," or, rather, to know the impression which our national habits and modes of thought produce upon our neighbours, must always be amusing and often instructive. Hence the avidity with which the genial pen every volume that confesses to give us a portrait of English life and manners from the foreign point of view. A new essay of this kind has just appeared from the pen of an American. This time it is the citizens of Manchester who have had "a chief among them taking notes," and their attitude in relation to the American question is the subject of criticism. "Mr. Adams, late of the American Minister in London," seems to have been deputed, in November last, to report on the feelings of Manchester towards the Federal States, and the results of this delicate inquiry are published in the *Boston Daily Courier*. We had certainly not fancied that the great capital of the English cotton trade was so much out of the world as to need a Special Commissioner to bring its hidden opinions to light. We presume, however, that the Federal Government thought otherwise, and decided to gather its information respecting the policy of the millowners from sources more authentic than newspapers or private letters. Manchester had been represented as "bitterly hostile" to the Northern States. Cotton, was supposed to have obscured her political vision, and stopped her ears against the voice of reason and justice, and it was believed that there was a party in "Manchester forming to bring about the infraction of the blockade by Great Britain." So young Mr. Adams was despatched on a voyage of discovery, and proceeded to take soundings in this unexplored and dangerous coast. He kept a diary of his investigations, in which we find entries of interviews and conversations with several gentlemen," with a member of large spinning firm, with Mr. ——, one of the large M.P.'s for ——," &c. To the statements and opinions of these anonymous authorities he attaches the greatest weight, and of importance as Mr. Kinglake claims for the communications of his foreign correspondents, and we must confess having felt some curiosity to learn the details of the alleged Manchester conspiracy against the integrity of the American Union.

We are sorry to disappoint our readers, but it really does not appear that the Manchester men interrogated by Mr. Adams disclosed any views materially differing from those which the rest of us have long entertained. "The member of a large spinning firm," when informed that the belief was general in America that England meant to break the blockade, that this belief had caused great irritation, and that it was the lowness of the motive that had disgusted us," replied in terms which most of his countrymen would be ready to adopt. He ridiculed the existence of any such intention, and declared that England had every wish to give the Federal States a fair trial; but that if so large a part of the commerce of the world were to be sacrificed indefinitely to a chimerical object, an intervention might become justifiable and necessary. Perhaps he went somewhat too far in saying that most Englishmen would prefer to see a separation accomplished; but he was quite right in pointing out that the strictest neutrality for the present is compatible with the belief that this result is inevitable. The mysterious M.P., on the other hand, was hardly justified in giving the strongest assurance of English sympathy with the North," since it would be inconsistent with this neutrality. We know nothing of a proposal "among some of the men of position" in Manchester "to make a public demonstration of sympathy with the North," and we do not believe that public opinion would have supported any such gratuitous expression of partiality. We cannot help wondering, however that Mr. Adams, who reminded his previous informant, with some degree of rudeness, that "opinions of England were of no consequence to us except as they indicated her actions," should have eagerly embraced the idea of a Manchester demonstration in favour of Mr. Lincoln's Government. With his own view of the bearing of the cotton question, the capitalists of the Queen of Commerce we have no fault to find. We agree with him that India has already obtained a hold on the market which she will never altogether lose, and that, whatever advantage America may possess in competition with other cotton-growing countries, she cannot regain the monopoly which she has lost. These considerations may enable Manchester capitalists to face the blockade with more or less patience, but it is absurd to suppose that the recognition or non-recognition of the Southern States will depend on a selfish struggle between them and a confederacy consisting of "the Radicals," "the Indian and Colonial interests," and "the Anti-Slavery interests." To do so is to confound two questions essentially distinct. No one of which can be answered with the Bank of Madras and Bombay had not yet with the Bank of Madras and Bombay had not yet been signed, it would take effect in those Presidencies from the time that the Governor in Council should in the *Gazette* notify that the agreements had been signed.

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BENGAL.

General Sir Hope Grant G. C. B., Commander-in-Chief of the Madras army, will come up to Calcutta in the P. and O. Company's steamer *Simlah*, which brings the next English mail, and will, we understand, be a guest at Government House during his stay here. We believe that Sir H. Grant's visit to Calcutta has reference to changes and improvements military and financial which it is intended to introduce in the military force of the Madras Presidency, and also to which the Supreme Government here is desirous of having his Excellency's opinion and advice. Sir Hope Grant has held the Madras command little more than a month, and knows nothing whatever of Native troops; so that his counsel as regards the Madras army must be of a very general description.—*Englishman, Jan.* 23.

We are sorry to note the absence of Mr. Laing from the meeting of the Supreme Council yesterday. The Honourable gentleman has been rather unwell, and had left Calcutta on the previous evening on a journey up country; which it is hoped may be beneficial to his health and enable him to remain with us until the approach of the warm weather.—*Id.*

In compliance with the wishes of government Colonel Norman, whose services are urgently required in Calcutta, left the camp of his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, near Nowshera, on the 11th current, for the Presidency, where he may be expected in a few days, to take up his appointment as Military Secretary to the government of India. Colonel Johnson of the Artillery has taken his place with the Commander-in-Chief.—*Id.*

A letter from the camp of his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, states that his tour down the frontier will not terminate, as we stated some time ago, at Mooltan, but will be prolonged still further to the southward, and he will return to camp *viâ* Mooltan. The exact route and extent of the intended journey was not known in camp; at least not to our informant, whose letter is dated the 13th beyond Nowshera. Weather clear and cold, and the Commander-in-Chief quite recovered from his late accident. Colonel Haythorne's horse fell with him at Rawul Pindee, and the Adjutant General received a fracture of the collar-bone. —*Id.*

If suffering and oppression to some extent are natural consequences in the case of Indigo growing, what must be the main results of the system which has so long prevailed with regard to the cultivation of *Opium*? Is the inducement that weighs with the ryot who cultivates the poppy, less stringent than which influences the peasant who serves the non-official master? Is the payment more liberal, the penalty for default less onerous? Is it likely that the Gomasta who is armed with the power of the Sircar, will be more merciful than the planter's agent, who acts to some extent with the fear of the law before his eyes? Do men desire to bring land under opium cultivation, or is it only carried on in districts where the soil and the slave who tills it are inseparable from each other, and all things run in the grooves worn by past generations? Such are a few of the queries that have suggested themselves, and which we will do our best to solve. To this end we have dispatched a Special Correspondent to the opium districts, who is charged with the duty of probing the matter to the bottom. He will travel from station to station throughout the entire tract devoted to opium growing, and note every point that bears upon the great object in view—that of giving to the world a faithful picture of the condition of the people and the aspect of the country. He has no theory to uphold, no interests to serve except those of truth, and the journal which he represents. If it should be proved that all which has been alleged against Indigo planting, is far outdone in the case of the opium ryots, we shall pause before challenging the honesty and ability of the Government which appears to sanction such a state of things. We shall bear in mind the controlling influence of "use and wont," the power of ignorance and the force of revenue considerations. Only, the naked facts must needs be exhibited, with as little of the drapery of words as is essential to the right understanding of them. To the utmost of our ability we will deal fairly by the peasant who tills the soil, and the peer who rules it.

It shall not be our fault then, if the whole matter of opium growing and its results is not made patent to the world. If we do not earn a right to the confidence that we seek, a great deal of labour will have been wasted.—*Hurkaru, Jan.* 24.

On account of the states of the tides next week, and the deep draught of water of the *Champion of the Seas* the ship will proceed down the river without her human freight, on Sunday next, and anchor at Kedgeree; and the 1st battalion, H. M's. 6th Royal regiment, will embark on board river steamers on Tuesday, at Barrackpore and join the vessel at the above station. We hope that this casual and exceptional occurrence will not be cited as an additional reason, along with the many curious and eccentric ones already adduced, for transferring the capital of India to Bombay, Agra, or Rawul Pindee; or for removing the trade and shipping of the port of Calcutta to the sub-marshes of the Mud-n. The large ships of the East India Company, in former times, never came above Diamond Harbour; but those very ships have, of late years, been at anchor off Calcutta.—*Englishman, Jan.* 24.

Proceedings of the Council of the Governor-General of India, assembled for the purpose of making Laws and Regulations under the provisions of the Act of Parliament 24 and 55 Vic. C. 67.

The Council met at Government House on Wednesday, the 22nd January 1862.

PRESENT:

His Excellency the Vice Roy and Governor-General of India, *Presiding.*

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal.

His Highness the Maharaja of Puttiala, K. S. I.

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The Hon'ble Sir Bartle Frere moved for leave to bring in a Bill for securing certain grants of immoveable property made by the State. He stated that the Bill had been originally introduced into the late Legislative Council on the recommendation of the Lieutenant-Governor of the North-Western Provinces, and had been referred to a Select Committee, by whom a Report had been prepared. The Bill as altered by that Committee, together with the Report, would be laid on the table and circulated to the Members before its introduction at the next Meeting of this Council.

The motion was put and agreed to.

The Hon'ble Mr. Beadon moved for leave to bring in a Bill to make further provision relating to Foreigners. The object of this Bill was to revive the Act XXXIII. of 1857, which had expired in December last, and to re-enact it for a further period of two years. The Bill would empower the Government to remove Foreigners from the country under certain circumstances and also to prohibit their travelling in India without a license.

The motion was put and agreed to.

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The Bill would also provide for the case of false or impaired coin being tendered and the right of a person to whom it was tendered to break it up. But provision would be made to meet the cases of dispute as to the coing bein really false, and the provision of the consolidating Statute of 1860 would be generally followed. Provision would also be made for withdrawing from circulation coin that had become below weight though there should be no proof of any operation having been performed on it, and the Bill would provide for two offences which were to be found in the consolidating Statute, but not in the Penal Code viz. the offence of having in possession with guilty knowledge filings or clippings of coin or gold or silver in solution obtained in the process of some operation performed on coin and the offence of having in possession without lawful excuse or authority more than five pieces of false coin or coin that had became impaired. As to false coin the offence was provided for by 9 George IV. Chapter 74, by which the offence was made punishable by fine but it was intended to extend the provision to genuine coin on which any illegal operation had been performed, and the law would be general instead of being confined as it was now to Presidency Towns and to European subjects.

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The motion was put and agreed to.

The Hon'ble Mr. Ritchie moved for leave to bring in a Bill for the better protection of the public against bad coin. He stated that he would, on the passing of the Penal Code, there were several laws relating to offences respecting the coin, but they were insufficient to meet all the devices which modern ingenuity had adopted for counterfeiting coin. The Penal Code had a Chapter (No. XII.) which provided for nearly every offence relating to coin, but no law had yet been passed touching the rights and duties of the public and the Government in respect of coin which ought to be withdrawn from circulation.

In England all false coin was absolutely forfeited to the Government, but no provision had yet been in this country as to coin that was originally good but had become impaired. Doubts arose as to the right to break up both false coin and good coin that had been falsified. In some cases the offence by which the coin had been impaired had not been committed by the person in whose possession it was found, and it sometimes happened in this country that false coin was itself very valuable. In one case false Gold Mohurs had been seized which were intrinsically worth more than the same number of Government Gold Mohurs, though they were less in value than the Gold Mohurs they were intended to imitate. In any such case it should be borne with, but where would be a hardship on an innocent holder. The Bill which he proposed to introduce will provide that all instruments used in making false coin should be forfeited, and that all clippings of coin, and all gold and silver in solution obtained by any operation upon coin, should be forfeited, and that all false coin should be forfeited when the offence of falsification had been committed by the holder, or the coin had been received without due caution, or the coin had been obtained without the payment of the full value. But where the holder was innocent, the coin would be only broken up and the material returned to him.

The Bill would also provide for the case of false or impaired coin being tendered and the right of a person to whom it was tendered to break it up. But provision would be made to meet the cases of dispute as to the coing bein really false, and the provision of the consolidating Statute of 1860 would be generally followed. Provision would also be made for withdrawing from circulation coin that had become below weight though there should be no proof of any operation having been performed on it, and the Bill would provide for two offences which were to be found in the consolidating Statute, but not in the Penal Code viz. the offence of having in possession with guilty knowledge filings or clippings of coin or gold or silver in solution obtained in the process of some operation performed on coin and the offence of having in possession without lawful excuse or authority more than five p

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Indian Press.

THE ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT.

(From the Englishman, Jan. 27.)

Last Saturday's *Government Gazette* contained the long-expected orders for the re-organization of the Telegraph Department; the staff of which will in future consist of

1 Director General.
3 Directors.
15 Superintendents.
15 Assistant Superintendents.
100 Inspectors.

The pay of these appointments is liberal, and should render the Department attractive to good men. In each grade, moreover, there are different classes, on different rates of pay which cannot fail to have the effect of creating emulation, as the most efficient officer may fairly expect to obtain rapid promotion over the heads of his less assiduous companions. The rates of pay are, for the Director General 3,000 rupees a month; for the Directors they vary from 700 to 1,500 rupees; for the Superintendents from 350 to 700 rupees. The Assistant Superintendents receive each 300 rupees; and the Inspectors' rates vary from 100 rupees to 250 rupees a month. In the same *Gazette* are published the reports of the several Chambers of Commerce of Bengal, Madras, and Bombay, to the government of India on the efficiency of the electric telegraph for commercial purposes; the remarks of Colonel Douglas, Director General of Telegraphs, on those reports, and the reply of the Home Secretary to the report of the Bengal Chamber of Commerce. The first report published is that of the Bombay Chamber, which gives a return of the messages received by twenty-five mercantile firms of the Western Presidency, between the 1st April and 31st May 1861, amounting in all to 298 messages; of which 274 were received with reasonable punctuality and correctness; sixteen with important errors or delays; and eight unintelligible, or so delayed as to be rendered useless. The Chamber of Commerce has therefore, up to the date of this return the delays on account of the lines, but particularly on the Bombay and Calcutta line, were very considerable. It must not, however, be lost sight of that the Chamber's report is dated the 5th August, and that the rains, which set in at Bombay during May, were then at their full height, at which period, as detailed in Colonel Douglas's remarks, peculiar atmospheric influences prevail which greatly interfere with the correct transmission of messages. The Chamber express an opinion that when the messages are of no value to others than the addressees, and their construction simple and grammatical, there are few grounds of complaint, but that when the messages contain information of mercantile importance, the integrity of *employes* of the Department is found to give way. This doubtless, as remarked by Colonel Douglas, has reference chiefly to the Hindu community, a class of India with reference to opium quotations as brought by the Mails to Galle and thence telegraphed to Bombay. Madras appears either to have no causes for complaint, beyond those inseparable from long lengths of wire running through districts subject to periodical submergence, and with few intermediate stations whence to renew the electric current. The report of the Madras Chamber of Commerce is decidedly the best of the three; it is temperate, gives facts, shews where there are defects, and suggests remedies. It is, moreover, calmly and dispassionately written. The report of the Bengal Chamber bears the latest date. It is the least satisfactory of the three. The Committee of the Chamber have satisfied themselves with addressing the mercantile community, calling for their views of the efficient working of the telegraph department or otherwise, and in embodying their replies without attempting to weed the tares from the wheat or bring the information collated into any kind of regularity or form. We thus find one firm complaining that Colonel Douglas sits at the top of a three-storied house, and that it is very inconvenient to get at him; that there are no seats on the landings in which asthmatic wheezy old gentlemen may rest during the ascent, and that from his elevated position it is quite impossible the Director General can efficiently overlook his office. Another firm considers that if a telegram "reports an unexpected high or low rate of prices it is probably a blunder of the telegraph and cannot safely be acted on," and that "a merchant incurs a grave responsibility who acts on any telegram the purport of which does not tally with his preconceived notions." If therefore a merchant is acting in anticipation of rise in a produce market, and a telegram arrives advising him of a fall, because it does not tally with his "preconceived notions" he is advised not to heed the information conveyed to him by the wires. One man "has no evidence to give of the working of the telegraph department," but he, nevertheless, joins cordially in the charge brought against it of "gross neglect." Another instance of "inefficiency" is given which is certainly entertaining, and until the matter is made clear by the Director General, we own to having been at a loss how as to a telegraphic message could be lost on the road between Bombay and Calcutta. Here, however, is the fact:—

"We received this morning a Bill for Rupees 7-5 for a message alleged to have been sent to our address from Bombay. The number of the message not appearing on the face of the Bill as usual, we returned it with a memorandum requesting the information, and were informed in reply that 'the message did not reach Calcutta.' We then asked why we were called upon to pay for it, and were again informed in reply that 'the message was duly sent from Bombay, but appears to have been lost on the road!' Our only course was to pay the Bill, which we have done, and now enclose it and the memorandum for your inspection."

And the following explains how even words conveyed by the instantaneous flash of electricity can be "lost on the road." "Our principal lines work well during dry weather, when in fact scarcely any insulation beyond the dry poles is needed; but let a shower come up, and all the wires are seriously affected by escape. In such cases some of the dots and bars, composing our letters, as it were, drop out, and the word of which they form a part, is rendered unintelligible, or it may occur that from the same cause a letter becomes split up into two, producing similar confusion."

The entire reports and correspondence are too lengthy for republication. We fully agree with Colonel Douglas in much that he says, and are willing to believe that the little heed his frequent representations have met with, and the lengthened time that it has taken the government to arrive at a conviction of the necessity for endorsing his views and re-organising the entire establishment, have in a great measure perpetuated the evils complained of. There are likewise, we are convinced, certain seasons of the year when in all countries wherein the telegraph stations are so remote from each other along a line of many hundred miles, as is the case between Calcutta and Bombay, in which the current is extremely liable to escape and so prevent the arrival of a message at the desired point. Such we know to be the case in America during the rainy seasons, where insulation is far more perfect, and the lines are many in lieu of the solitary one we have here. We must therefore look for occasional imperfections during our monsoon, but this can form no ground of excuse for the many just causes of complaint the public undoubtedly have—of the wrong addressing of messages properly received at the telegraph termini; of the great and often inexcusable delay in the transmission and delivery of important messages; and the utter worthlessness of the Complaint Office. We do not deny that the Director General has a difficult and arduous task, and that he has inefficient means at his command; but we contend that he has not always made such use as he might do of what he has at his disposal, or that he has been in the slightest degree acquainted with the number or nature of the complaints which reach his office. Were he so, would he but satisfy himself of the justice of some, at any rate, of the complaints made, and not trust entirely to the representations of his subordinates, we believe the public would not have had the cause for dissatisfaction they now have.

With reference to the alleged number of messages despatched by telegraph during the past year, viz., 240,451, and that only 139 were complained of as containing mistakes, we entirely agree with the Governor General in Council that "139 by "no means represents the real number of messages in "which mistakes occurred in 1860-61." But as some of the necessary reforms suggested by Colonel Douglas have at length met with the approval and sanction of the Government, we hope we may speedily have reason to record a marked improvement in the working of the department. And we must here do him the justice to say that a very marked improvement in our experience of his Department has been noticeable for the last two months. These who desire to risk their means in the doubtful advantage to be derived from private enterprise applied to electric telegraphs in India, have now an opportunity for doing so; the government of India having signified its willingness to concede the rights to any properly constituted company raised for the purpose of putting up a line between Calcutta and Bombay, and to keep its own line strictly for the transmission of government messages, and in no way to interfere with the interest of the Telegraphic Company.

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